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SUBJECT: SPAIN: DEMARCHE ON G-4 FRAMEWORK RESOLUTION
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1. (U) Poloff delivered reftel demarche to MFA Deputy Director General for the United Nations Juan Manuel Gonzalez de Linares. Gonzalez de Linares said Spain agreed enthusiastically with most of reftel talking points, with the exception of the following:

-- Spain would like to see a requirement of a 0.7% of GDP aid budget among developed countries serving on the Security Council.

-- Spain does not support the addition of any new permanent members of the Council, only non-permanent members.

-- Spain does not see much of a difference between a Council of 21 and a Council of 25, and thinks that the goals of efficiency and accountability can be achieved with 25 members, allowing for a more representative Security Council whose membership takes ownership in the affairs it deals with.

2. (U) Spain agrees that the G-4 framework resolution would be divisive, and that the decision on the number and type of new seats on the Security Council should not be made separately from that on which countries meet the criteria. The GOS agrees as well that the reform of the Security Council should not take precedence over nor stall reform in other areas.
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